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DOORDARSHAN TRANSMITTERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Doordarshan Transmitters which are likely to become operational during the current year alongwith locations thereof;

(b) the expenditure incurred on the transmitters which are likely to become operational;

(c) whether required number of staff has been provided for operation and maintenance of these transmitters;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons for delay in this regard;

(f) the level at which the matter regarding sanctioning of posts is lying pending; and

(g) the annual estimated expenditure to be incurred on the maintenance and operation of these transmitters?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) and (b) : Prasar Bharati has informed that the following ten Low Power Transmitters (LPTs) are presently technically ready for commissioning:-

(i) Andhra Pradesh - Kolhapur, Punganur

(ii) Assam - Satarsal

(iii) Haryana - Fatehabad, Kaithal

(iv) Karnataka - Mudhol, Singhnur

(v) Orissa - Bahalda

(vi) Rajasthan - Khajuwala

(vii) Tripura - Ambassa

Expenditure incurred on the above transmitters is Rs.7.32 crore.

(c) to (f) : The required number of staff for operation and maintenance of these transmitters has not been sanctioned so far.

(g) The annual estimated expenditure on operation and maintenance of a LPT is about Rs.18 lakh.